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REMARKS

Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

Claims 1 and 3-9 are in the application. Claim 2 has been incorporated into claim 1, and, accordingly, claim 2 has been cancelled. In view of the cancellation of claim 2, claim 3 has been amended to depend from claim 1. Also, claim 4 has been amended and claims 10-33 have been cancelled.

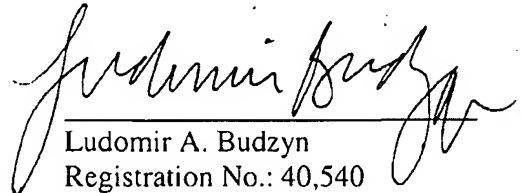
In the Official Action, the Examiner rejected claim 5 under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, as being allegedly indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which Applicant regards as the invention. In particular, the Examiner asserted that the limitation "said hinged connection" of claim 5 lacks antecedent basis. In response, claim 4 has been amended to recite --a hinged connection--. It is respectfully submitted that the claims, as amended, are in accord with under 35 U.S.C. §112.

Claims 1 and 4-9 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being allegedly anticipated by Chalmin et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,673,822). In addition, the Examiner indicated that claims 2 and 3 include patentable subject matter. As indicated above, claim 2 has been incorporated into claim 1. It is respectfully submitted that claim 1, as amended, is allowable along with dependent claims 3-9.

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Favorable action is earnestly solicited. If there are any questions or if further information is required, please contact Applicants' attorney at the number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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